

## Letters of Interest

From Mail and Advocate Readers

### "More Justice" Speaks on Wages

(Editor Mail and Advocate.)  
Dear Sir,—An item appeared in the "News" signed "Justice" in which he gives some suggestions re the labour problem. I agree with him on some points, but I do not agree with him when he asks the different Unions to cut their schedule wages to half their present standard. He mentions the bricklayers, carpenters and all other Unions. Well, for instance, the laborers usually get 14c per hour. If we half his wages it will mean 7c per hour, or 70c per day of 10 hours. That would not be a great salary for a poor man to exist on and flour up to \$8 per brl. and all other necessities of life up in

proportion. I would like to ask "Justice" how he would like to exist on that amount, and not get it constant either. If "Justice" had suggested that the Government take it in hand and cut some of their highly-paid officials in proportion to their salaries while this state of affairs exist, they would live and the poor man would have live, because they could give lots of labour out, and it would not cost them a cent more. It would only mean a little less for those \$1200 and some \$3000 a year men.  
Hoping some abler pen than mine will try and solve this problem, I will now conclude.  
MORE JUSTICE.  
Feb. 19, 1915.

### Musgravetown Annual Parade

(Editor Mail and Advocate.)  
Dear Sir,—Will you please allow me space in your highly-esteemed paper the Mail and Advocate for a few remarks. Never seeing anything from here I thought it would not be out of place for me to write. I am not much of a letter writer and this is my first time ever writing to any paper. I often wish I could write a letter as good as Aunt Jane. I am sure she is an excellent letter writer, and I must say I enjoy reading her letters and I long for mail day to get the Advocate. The F.P.U. had their annual parade on Monday, Feb. 15. Being a grand day, they paraded across the ice and back to the Orange Hall, where they partook of a grand tea, provided by the ladies. The L.O.A. Band provided splendid music and several speeches brought the meeting to a close. I hope I have not trespassed too much on your valuable space. Success to President Coaker and the Mail and Advocate is the wish of  
A UNION MAN'S WIFE.  
Musgravetown,  
Feb. 17, 1915.

### Thanks Kind Friends Who Helped Him Save His Horse

(Editor Mail and Advocate.)  
Dear Sir,—On Feb. 10th inst. I went to Sumerville with my horse for freight from the railway station, and on my return my horse fell through the ice, into the salt water. I was in a bad fix and think she would have had to stay there, but for the assistance of two men, Benjamin and William Lane, and I take this opportunity of thanking them for their kindness in helping me to save my horse. I didn't think for a moment that help was so near, when these two hardy fishermen came running out to me with long poles on their back when they saw my predicament from the hills. They worked like heroes until my horse was landed on solid ice. I am more than grateful for their kindness and thank them with all my heart and trust some day to be able to render them a service for their kindness.  
WALTER BROWN.  
King's Cove,  
Feb. 22, 1915.

hope of seeing the Union down and out.

Mr. Stephen Broomfield, who is now living in his new house this winter, gives the boys an occasional dance.

The only thing you can hear around the street now is the Kean pass word, "Stand to father's back." It is now used by the boys in their sports.

F. P. U. held annual parade on Feb. 2nd which turned out to be a great success.

AUNT ROSE.

St. Brendan's,  
Feb. 10, 1915.

### Union Day At St. Brendan's

(Editor Mail and Advocate.)  
Dear Sir,—Being in attendance to the annual parade of Gooseberry Island Local Council of the F.P.U., I would ask a little of your space to tender my sincere thanks to our Gooseberry Island friends.

Sometime previous to the parade I was asked by some of the friends to attend, which I did, and on the appointed day I reached Gooseberry Isl. just in time for the parade, which was a great success, being under the conduct of Robt. Perry, the Union Chairman. After parading around the harbour, we returned to the Hall, and were both surprised and delighted to see the ladies who were in attendance did everything possible to make things pleasant and nice.

Partaking of a tea, to which we all did justice, and after having a chat with some of the friends on Union affairs, I was very sorry to have to return home, owing to ice conditions, and could not attend the meeting.

I will be for ever thankful to our Gooseberry Island friends and I most heartily congratulate the ladies on the manner in which they had things arranged for tea, and Friend Robert Perry on the manner in which he conducted affairs.

A VISITOR.

St. Brendan's,  
Feb. 13, 1915.

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### St. Brendan's Unionists Hold Annual Parade

(Editor Mail and Advocate.)  
Dear Sir,—Through the columns of your widely circulated and highly-esteemed paper, permit me space to make a few remarks concerning our fifth Annual Parade, which was held on Candlemas Day, Feb. 2nd. The F.P.U. flag was seen waving at about 11 a.m. At 1.30 everyone that was in a position to parade met at the parish hall and at 2.30 we formed our ranks and left the hall, headed by the Union Jack and the F.P.U. banner, Friend Thomas Hogan marching in front rendering the music.

Leaving the hall, we marched towards Shalloway Cove to meet our Shalloway Friends. On meeting them the air rang with cheers for Pres. Coaker and the F.P.U. and volleys of musketry were belched forth in honor of our noble president. Passing our Union Hall, and giving it three hearty cheers and a round of guns we proceeded around the harbor and back to the hall, cheering and firing all along the way. Arriving at the hall, cheers were given for our Chairman and Shalloway Cove Council and Chairman, but they peeled forth more gloriously for our noble president. On entering the hall, everyone feeling a little cold, hot drinks and cake was served by the ladies in attendance. At 8 p.m., after partaking of a sumptuous repast and after everyone doing justice to the innerman, dancing was started, and

kept up to the wee small hours of the morning.

We can now realize what a power of good President Coaker is doing. It is an easy problem to solve what would be the price of fish last Fall, but for Coaker. We fishermen all know that whatever task is undertaken by Coaker is for the benefit of the toiling masses, and times would be most pressing this past, and ever-to-be-remembered year of 1914, if there was no Union, no Trading Co. and no Coaker.

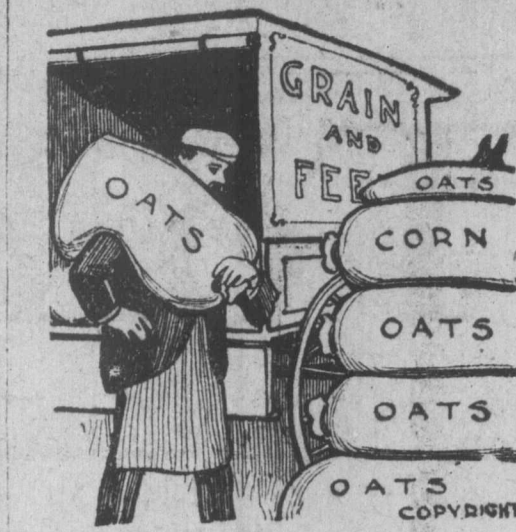
We have now committed to President Coaker the leadership of our cause, and the maintenance of our liberty and fair play, and since the Union is sown so deep in our political and commercial life, we cannot be turned back in our progress. We can see when the aims of the Union is carried out it will make a great improvement to the lot of the fisherman.

We can see what capacity is maintained by the Union, and what sincerely is maintained by its President as a result of the business he is now running. President Coaker and the rest of his colleagues are striving hard to better the fisherman's lot—God spare them.

Wishing the President and Union a prosperous year.

St. Brendan's, B.B. L.M.F.  
Feb. 10, 1915.

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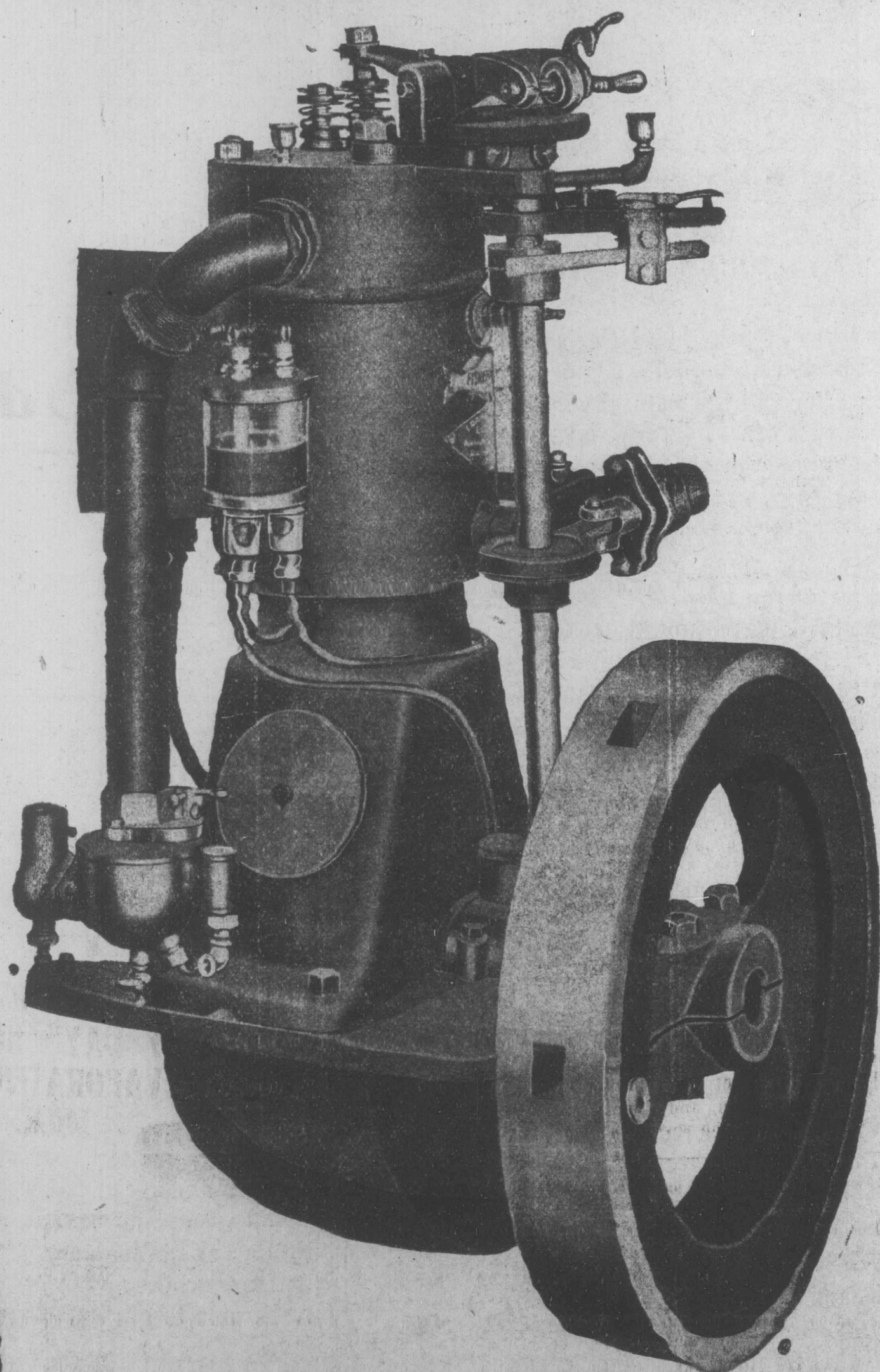
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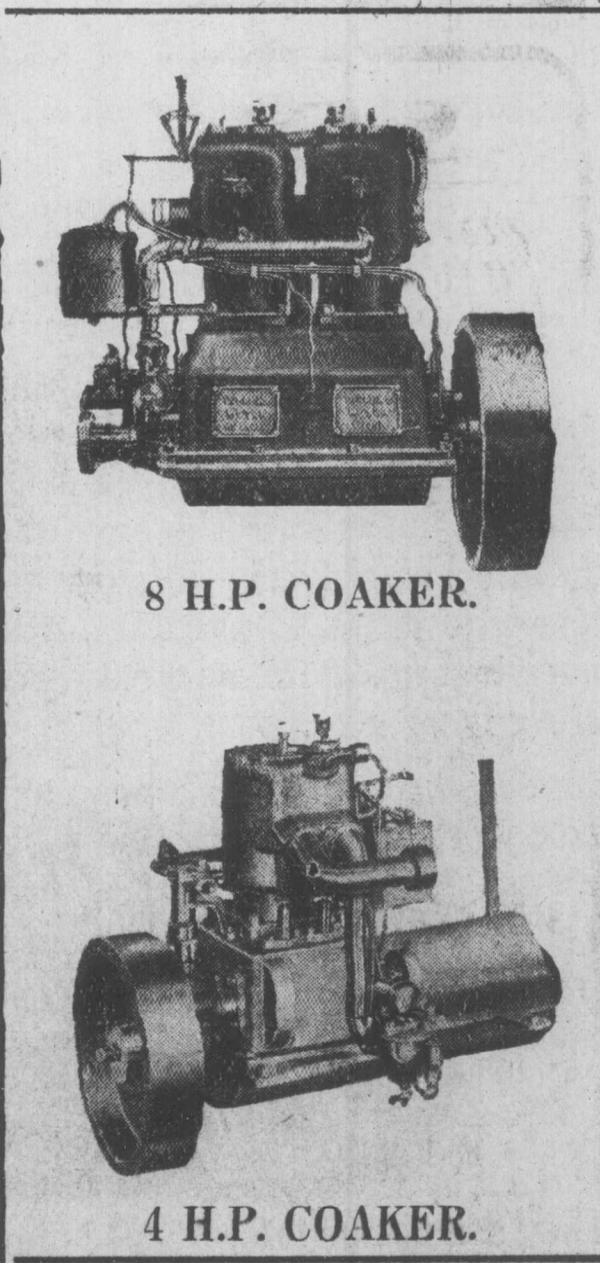


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